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TAGS: CASC (MANTZURANIS, GEORGE J & FAMILY)

SUBJECT: OUTSTANDING HOTEL BILL

REF: LONDON 8953, 5905, 2622 AND 13255 OF OCTOBER 10,
1974.

THE HOTEL BILL OF FIFTY EIGHT POUNDS AND FORTY SIX PENCE
STERLING FOR THE CYPRUS REFUGEE RELATIVES OF MR. PETER
HEON IS STILL OUTSTANDING ONE YEAR AFTER THE EMBASSY WAS
ADVISED IN TELEPHONE CALL BY MR. HEON THAT HE WOULD
"OF COURSE PAY FOR THEM ALL TO GET TO THE U.S. AND ANY
OTHER EXPENSES".

EMBASSY RECORDS SHOW THAT A GREAT DEAL OF TIME AND EFFORT
ON PART OF EMBASSY STAFF INVOLVED IN ASSISTING MR.
HEON'S RELATIVES WHO WERE ACCOMMODATED IN NEARBY
BRITANNIA HOTEL AT A SPECIAL REDUCED RATE THROUGH
EMBASSY'S GOOD OFFICES AND ASSURANCE THAT BILL WOULD BE
PAID BY MR. HEON. MR. HEON'S RELATIVES WERE PLACED IN
NEARBY HOTEL SHORTLY AFTER APPEARING AT EMBASSY FOR AID
BECAUSE OF COMPLETELY DISTRAUGHT STATE OF ALL MEMBERS OF
FAMILY WHO NEEDED IMMEDIATE ACCOMMODATION AND
CONTINUING ASSISTANCE FROM EMBASSY.

AS POINTED OUT IN LONDON 8953, UNPAID BILL IS EXTREMELY
EMBARRASING TO EMBASSY WHICH MAY AGAIN FIND IT
NECESSARY TO REQUEST COOPERATION OF HOTEL IN ASSISTING
U.S. CITIZENS IN SIMILAR CIRCUMSTANCES.

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EMBASSY AGAIN REQUESTS DEPARTMENT TO MAKE EVERY EFFORT

TO OBTAIN FUNDS FROM MR. HEON TO PAY THIS BILL
IMMEDIATELY. ADVICE ON RESULTS OF DEPARTMENT'S EFFORTS
WOULD BE APPRECIATED BY IMMEDIATE TELEGRAM.

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